SHASTRI) : (a) and (b) The present data reporting system does not generate the information in the manner asked for. However, the Ministry of Agriculture, Directorate of Extension has been giving grant-in-aid to Bharat Krishak Samaj to organise short duration training camps for farmers and administration grant to maintain the staff and exchange of farmers. Grant-in-aid sanctioned/released to Bharat Krishak Samaj during the period from 1985-86 to 1989-90 by directorate of Extension, Ministry of Agriculture are as under:

Year	Grant Sanctioned/released		
	Administrative Grant (Rs.)	Short duration Training Camps (Rs.)	Exchange of farmers (Rs.)
1985-86	10,000.00	7,000.00	45,375.00
1986-87	10,000.00	14,000.00	—
1987-88	10,000.00	17,500.00	—
1988-89	10,000.00	17,500.00	—
1989-90	10,000.00	17,500.00	—

Export of rice to Soviet Union

1655. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the major basmati rice exporters to the Soviet Union from India;

(b) how much basmati rice has been exported by these concerns/individuals during the last three years and at what price;

(c) whether any complaints have been received from any quarter about export of basmati rice to the Soviet Union and if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(d) what action government have taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN): (a) and (b) The information is given in the statement annexed. [*See* Appendix CLIV Annexure No. 81]

(c) and (d) No complaints have been received from the buyers in USSR. Questions have, however, been raised about the quality of rice exported to USSR and the commission received by one exporter. Government is looking into the matter.

Letter purported to have been written by Gordon Mackay, Vice-President of Fairfax Investigating Agency

1656. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any letter purporting to have been written by one Gordon Mackay, claiming to be the Vice-President of Fairfax Investigation Agency on the records of any department of the Government of India;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that the CBI had expressed an opinion about the authenticity of this letter; and

(d) whether the then Government accepted that opinion and acted upon it; and if so in what manner?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) to (d) Photocopies of two letters dated 20-11-1986 and 12-12-1986 purported to have been written by one